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FOR ANDREWS FROM WORTZEL

E.O. 11652: GDS TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. I WOULD SAY SOMETHING ABOUT OUR HAVING ENJOYED HAVING DARRYL (AS WELL AS CARL) HERE, BUT I FEAR THAT HE WOULD SEE IT WHEN HE RETURNS ON MONDAY. IN ANY EVENT, HE WAS HERE TO SEE SOME OF THE BACK AND FORTH ON THE GANJER CASE. WE WILL HAVE TO DECIDE SOON WHAT TO DO. SHORT--OR LONG--TERM. TO PREVENT RECURRENCES. AS FOR A CONSULAR CONVENTION, WE FIND A SERIOUS FLAW IN THE DRAFT RELATED TO DUAL NATIONALS COMING HERE, AND WILL BE CABLING TO DISCUSS IT. SHORT OF THAT. UNLESS THE PASSPORT OFFICE NOTIFICATION PROVES MORE EFFECTIVE THAN IT HAS BEEN RECENTLY, SOMETHING ELSE BY WAY OF WARNING IS ALREADY CALLED FOR. WE TOLD STARCEVIC LAST WEEK, WHILE PRESSING TO GET GANJER OUT OF THE COUNTRY, THAT WE MIGHT HAVE TO MAKE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING THE RISK OF INDUCTION. THIS. WE REALIZE, IS BY NO MEANS A TOTAL SOLUTION, EVEN IF WE CHOSE TO DO THAT. THE WHOLE QUESTION OF THE YUGOSLAV'S ISSUING VISAS TO PEOPLE THEY THEN TREAT AS THEIR CITIZENS DESERVES MORE DISCUSSION, AS WELL AS WARNINGS THEY MIGHT ISSUE TO VISA APPLICANTS. IN ANY EVENT, WITH ALIMI--WE HOPE--SOON OUT OF THE WAY, WE CONFIDENTIAL

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PLAN TO CONCENTRATE ON THE WHOLE DUAL NATIONAL ISSUE, AND WILL BE WRITING MORE ON THE SUBJECT.

2. FOR THE TRADE FIGURES YOU ASKED ABOUT (PARA 7 STATE 123553) SEE OUR 3280, WHICH REPORTED A MEETING APRIL 26 WITH LUDVIGER TO DISCUSS THE FAVORABLE TREND THE YUGOSLAVS SEE. WE HAVE SINCE BEEN TOLD, BY THE WAY, THAT THEIR

APRIL FIGURES CONTINUE THE TREND.

- 3. WE ARE NOT SURE WHAT STIMULATED THE PROPOSAL (PARA 7 STATE 117081) THAT WE USE THE OCCASION OF THE MILATOVIC INTERVIEW TO PRESS THE YUGOSLAVS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT CIVIL RIGHTS. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT SO FORTHRIGHT A STATEMENT (AND WE HAVE SEEN A NUMBER OF OTHERS LIKE IT) IS A FAVORABLE SIGN AND THAT, SHORT OF PRAISING THE YUGOSLAVS FOR TACKLING THE ISSUE PUBLICLY (WHICH I AM NOT, OF COURSE, PROPOSING) WE WOULD DO WELL TO RESTRAIN OURSELVES. IF YOU FIND THAT YOU NEED SOMETHING TO SHOW PROGRESS, I WOULD THINK THAT THE YUGOSLAV STATEMENTS ARE USEFUL IN THEMSELVES.
- 4. ANY RESPONSE ON OUR QUERY (PARA 3 BELGRADE 2803) CONCERNING THE THREATENED VISIT BY THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENT GROUP?
- 5. GENEVA OFFICE OF MOTOROLA SOUNDED OUT COMMERCE/OEA
 ABOUT POSSIBLITY OF ESTABLISHING CONSIGNMENT STOCK IN
 YUGOSLAVIA. JEAN NELSON TOLD THEM OEA WOULD FIRST HAVE
 TO CHECK WITH GOY TO FIND OUT WHETHER OEA OFFICIALS
 (SIC) WOULD HAVE RIGHT TO VERIFY CONSIGNMENT STOCK ON OCCASION.
 THERE HAVE BEEN CONSIGNMENT STOCKS ESTABLISHED HERE
 (EXAMPLE: IBM) BUT THE QUESTION OF CHECKING THESE STOCKS
 HAS NEVER BEEN RAISED. IS THIS A NEW TACK BY OEA? WE ASSUME
 THAT JEAN'S REFERENCE TO OEA PERSONNEL REALLY REFERS TO
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 ${\tt EMBASSY/CONSULATE\ VISITATIONS.\ CAN\ YOU\ SHED\ ANY\ LIGHT?}$ ${\tt EAGLEBURGER}$

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